

Application No. 09/691,231
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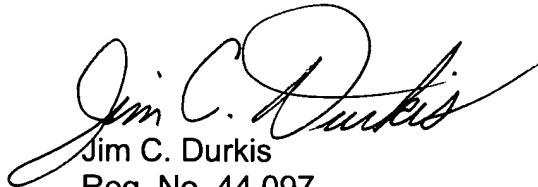
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Remarks/Arguments

In the Office Action dated July 9, 2003, the Examiner rejected Claims 1 – 11. Claims 1, 3, 4, 7, 8 and 11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Deissler (U.S. Patent No. 4,187,635). Claims 2, 5, 6, 9 and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Deissler. In response to the Examiner's objections Claims 1 – 11 have been canceled.

In the Office Action dated July 9, 2003, the Examiner noted Claim 12 – 18 were allowed. As such, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner allow Claims 12 – 18, as indicated on the attached complete listing of claims.

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